

## WAR IS NOW A CERTAINTY.

All Hope of a Peaceable Settlement Has at Last Been Abandoned.

**The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Will Report in Favor of Cuban Independence.**

**URGES ARMED INTERVENTION TO COMMENCE AT ONCE.**

**No More Delay in Dealing With Spain. War Will Undoubtedly Be Declared Monday.**

**THE SPANISH TORPEDO FLEET HAS NOT REACHED PORTO RICO.**

**But it Is Expected There by Monday—Spanish Cruisers Leave Havana to Meet and Guard It.**

**NO MORE NEGOTIATIONS.**

**Nothing Now Remains But the Actual Declaration of War.**

**GOING AFTER GENERAL LEE.**

**Rumored That Two Warships Will Be Sent This Afternoon to Bring Him Home.**

**SPAIN MAKING GREAT EFFORTS**

**To Get Ready for War—Wants to Get Russia and France Interested as Mediators.**

**MONDAY EXPECTED TO END THE CRISIS.**

Washington, April 2.—The situation today is the same as yesterday, war with Spain cannot be avoided, and is a certainty. This fact is admitted on all sides. The president, who has done all he could honorably to secure the independence of Cuba, without resort to war, now has given up all hope and is preparing for the coming conflict with the same determination and thoroughness that has characterized his entire course since the trouble with Spain began.

The position of Spain has ceased to cause uneasiness. That is known. Her answer is accepted as final and the ultimatum sent by the United States early in this week is final. The only chance of averting war is for Spain to yield completely to McKinley's demands.

The senate foreign relations committee held a consultation with the president today and has decided on its report. It will report favorably a resolution recognizing Cuban independence, and will urge armed intervention in Cuba. The committee will report further that armed intervention is necessary. This action of the senate committee means that the senate will pass resolutions recognizing Cuba. The committee has taken this action knowing full well that recognizing Cuban independence is war.

Spain cables state that Spain is rushing her war preparations faster than ever. Another torpedo fleet is said to be nearly ready to sail. It is evident that Spain hopes to get time enough to concentrate a strong fleet at Havana.

Secretary of the Treasury Gage and Dingley, chairman of the committee on ways and means are at work preparing a bill to furnish funds for the prosecution of war.

Representative Hull will rush through his bill on Monday putting the American army on war footing. At the navy and war departments everything indicates actual war.

hold announcement that the partition of Spanish territory is for Spain alone to dictate.

**THAT TORPEDO FLEET**

Has Not Reached Porto Rico Yet, But Is Getting There Fast.

Washington, April 2.—The rumor that the Spanish torpedo fleet had reached Porto Rico proves to have been premature, though it is near its destination and is looked for on Monday. The Spanish cruisers Vizcaya and Albatros, which sailed from Havana, have gone to Porto Rico and not for some American port as was at first rumored. These cruisers have gone to protect the torpedo fleet it is supposed.

Washington, April 2.—The subcommittee of the senate committee on foreign relations, appointed to draft a report and prepare a form of resolution outlining a course of action, which this government shall pursue toward Spain with reference to Cuba, will report to the full committee at its meeting today. The subcommittee will recommend the adoption of a resolution declaring for the recognition of the Cuban republic and intervention by the United States with her army and navy for the purpose of assisting the Cubans to secure independence, in case Spain continues to refuse to concede it.

The committee will treat for the rescinding of the order for the concentration of the Cuban non-combatants, as a subterfuge, and will dwell upon the past, if not the present, treatment of these unfortunate. It will detail the Maine incident and attempt to demonstrate that it is a sufficient cause for the declaration of war, if this country were desirous of making it such, and also will touch upon the injury to American interests, caused by the Cuban struggle, as full justification for our interference.

The committee will report Monday, unless it is then made evident that it is impossible for the President to complete his promised message, for lack of time. The disposition of congress now is against further postponement for any cause. The committee's present information is that the President's message will be ready by Monday.

**War Plans.**

Washington, April 2.—Orders continue to go out to the states urging them to be prepared. The dispatches which were sent to Southern governors Thursday afternoon to have the naval militia drilled and prepared for orders from the President of the United States, were followed yesterday morning by similar requests to have the state guards put in readiness to obey the commands of the commander-in-chief, the President. Preparations have already been made to meet Spain's first coup. Cuba and Porto Rico will be invested. Extensive occupation of Cuba is not to be undertaken. In recognizing the insurgents the United States will become possessed immediately of a native ally and an accomplished army. Even a blockade of Cuba would cut the Spanish warships from their supply. The nearest stations belonging to Spain are in the Canary Islands, 3,500 miles away. Without coal the Spanish ships will be at a tremendous disadvantage. It will not be possible for her, under the neutrality laws, to be supplied by any friendly South American country. Coal will be contraband of war.

**WORK NIGHT AND DAY.**

Battleship Texas Has Donned Her War Paint and Will Soon Be Ready To Fight.

New York, April 2.—The force of workmen at the Brooklyn navy yards was increased yesterday, and the men will work day and night until all the vessels available are ready for service. The "Mosquito" fleet is being overhauled as rapidly as possible, and the work is progressing satisfactorily.

The battleship Texas has donned her war paint, and from the water line to the truck is a dull slate color. She was sent to the navy yard for the express purpose of having alterations and improvements made on her twelve-inch gun turrets. Formerly it took nearly eight minutes to load and fire either of these guns, but when the new devices have been completed this can be done in less than three minutes, which will make the Texas as good as two battleships.

Today the Texas is taking on provisions and additional ammunition, and by Monday she will be ready for service.

**More Surgeons Wanted.**

Washington, April 2.—Representative Hull, chairman of the house committee on military affairs, introduced a bill yesterday increasing the number of medical officers in the navy by fifteen additional assistant surgeons and authorizing the surgeon

general of the army, in emergencies to appoint, with the approval of the secretary of war, as many contract surgeons as may be necessary at not exceeding \$150 per month. The fifteen men are to be appointed with the rank of first lieutenant, after examination by an army medical examining board.

**Spain's Tactics.**

Washington, D. C., April 2.—The administration is set in its belief now that Spain does not intend to yield, but is only haggling for time to land her fleet of torpedo boats in Cuba. In this international game, every minute is valuable to Spain. It is argued that if Spain intended to meet this government halfway it would have expressed some sympathy over the Maine, and not further inflame the people of this country by reflection on the person of the board. Instead of any overt acts of conciliation, Spain has been preparing ominously for a struggle on both sea and land. Her hope for intervention by European countries has died. All parties in Spain are united now against this country. A war will rally to the support of the young Alphonso, the republicans and the Carlists. A diplomat told me last night that there was no division of opinion here as to what Spain would do.

**Insurgents Use Dynamite.**

Havana, April 2.—The insurgents, it is announced today, have wrecked with dynamite a freight train near Guanahama, province of Matanzas, injuring the engineer and a fireman.

**IS BLANKS CAUGHT?**

Report That He Is Under Arrest Near Dexter, Ky.

Reported as Having Been Caught By a Livingston County Detective.

It is reported on seeming good authority this afternoon that Bob Blanks, the Mayfield rapist, has been captured near Dexter, Marshall county, by a Livingston county detective. According to the report sent out, one of Blanks' sisters is employed as cook at the detective's house, and it was through her that Blanks was captured by the detective. The information comes from Benton, and at last accounts, had not been confirmed.

Marshall Collins saw the detective three or four days ago, but he can not recall his name. The detective then informed him that he was going to set a trap for Blanks.

**TRUCK TURNED OVER.**

Almost a Serious Accident at Seventh and Jefferson.

Ovey Moss Hurt—Stationmen Are Thrown Off.

The ladder truck from Central station turned over at Seventh and Jefferson streets about 12:15 this afternoon, and Ovey Moss was painfully hurt.

Stationmen John Doyle and Jake Elliott were on the truck at the time. Doyle having the reins, and both were thrown violently to the street, but escaped with only a few bruises. The truck turned completely over. One front axle was badly bent, and the extinguishers were knocked off. Stationman Doyle says the accident was due to one of the lines catching in the frame ring, preventing him making the turn.

The alarm was sent in by telephone. A small blaze at the home of Mrs. M. T. Terrell, 229 North Seventh street, occasioned it, but it was extinguished before the department arrived.

Young Moss was carried to Dr. Stewart's office. He was found to be painfully bruised, and one knee was sprained.

The damage to the truck can be repaired for a few dollars.

**MISS AGNES MOHAN**

Solicits pupils for instruction on the

**PIANO**

Prof. G. S. Ennis, Prof. H. O. Farnham, 100 Tremble St.

**WE SELL**

The Vibe, Globe, Adlake, American, Diamond, Ray, Zar.

We instruct you thoroughly. We keep everything necessary to taking pictures.

\*\*\*

**M'PHERSON'S**

DRUG STORE

## BRANN IS DEAD.

The Noted Editor of the "Iconoclast" Killed in Waco, Tex., Yesterday Evening.

Fought a Street Duel With Captain M. T. Davis—Brann-Taylor Trouble Was the Cause.

Waco, Tex., April 2.—William C. Brann, the noted editor of the "Iconoclast," is dead. He expired this morning as a result of wounds received in a duel last night in the streets of Waco with Capt. M. T. Davis, chairman of the Good Government club.

The tragedy is a sequel to the notorious Brann-Baylor controversy. Yesterday afternoon the two men met on South Fourth street and began firing. It was a duel with revolvers, and both men fell. Brann was shot through the left lung, right foot and left leg, and Davis was shot through the right lung and through both arms.

The tragedy created the wildest excitement, and is the second to have occurred in the streets of Waco over the Brann-Baylor feud within a short time. A few months ago Col. G. B. Gerald shot and killed two brothers named Harris over the same trouble, and himself lost an arm in the combat.

Today's report states that Capt. Davis cannot recover. Brann, the dead editor, was a man of great versatility, and of vitriolic pen. His "Iconoclast" is noted

throughout the country on account of its publications.

The trouble with Baylor University originated some time since when Brann asserted a young Brazilian girl taken there to be educated as a missionary was seduced by a young man whose father was prominent in the management of the school. Baylor is the principal Baptist university in the South. Brann was at one time a Baptist preacher, but lately had turned his attention to lecturing and literature.

**NEWS NOTES.**

Georgetown is overrun with tramps and the people are afraid of small-pox.

The Jackson county democratic committee has denounced the Goebel election law.

It is proposed to have a reunion of the graduates of Georgetown college previous to 1855.

An agreed suit has been filed at Danville to test the right of the town to impose a tax on dogs.

Union county confederate veterans will tender their services to the President in case of war with Spain.

Hardin county people want to raise a regiment and go to war commanded by Joseph Gray, an ex-confederate.

Nearly every town in the state has accepted the warning of the state board of health and made vaccination compulsory.

The Old Fellows of Kentucky will celebrate the seventy-seventh anniversary of the order in America, April 26.

Richard Curry, a dude Lexington negro, cleaned his gloves with benzine and stood with them on his hands before the fire. He will recover.

A horse at Rocky Hill Station committed suicide by running into a

fast L. & N. train. He saw the train coming and made a deliberate dash for it.

It is announced that there will be Shiloh celebration because of anxiety over the strained relations between United States and Spain.

The receivership of the Kansas Pacific terminated at midnight Thursday night. The line passed into immediate control of the Union Pacific.

Hon. James L. Wolcott, former chancellor of Delaware, died Thursday, a his home in Dover, aged 56 years. Mr. Wolcott was for years a leader in Democratic politics.

The Richmond Knights of Pythias lodge decided in case any member is stricken with small pox to erect its own hospital and care for the person without any outside assistance.

Maj. T. J. Johnson, of the Third regiment, Kentucky state guard, has asked the United States for a commission as brigadier general to raise 5,000 troops in Western Kentucky in case of war.

The shock of the explosion of the Sycamore Powder Mills at Clarksville, Tenn., was felt at Hopkinsville, Adairville, Guthrie and Elkton. The residents of these places thought an earthquake had occurred.

The Henderson Street Railway company property, with all its appliances, rolling stock, sheds, motors, real estate, machinery, rails, tracks, crossties, etc., was sold this week by Deputy Sheriff Sutton for \$1,639.39, subject to all recorded mortgages and taxes. The sale was made under an execution on a judgment for \$1,500, obtained by Mrs. Marilla L. Wood in a suit for damages. F. M. Hutcheson, her attorney, was present and bid in the property for the amount of the judgment and costs. There were no other bids and the property was knocked off to him. Just preceding the sale the property was appraised at \$65,700.



## Comfortable Shoes

We don't claim to be the only people selling easy footwear, but we are the only store selling good footwear at such low prices. We have a large variety and a fine quality of shoes, and can guarantee great satisfaction. Our men's shoes at \$3.00 are unsurpassed. Ladies' and children's shoes at very low prices.

## GEO. ROCK & SON

## A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT!

Mothers of Boys, we want a word with you: To tell you of the great opportunities we are offering you to fit your boys out with **Easter Suits** at a very small cost to yourselves. We are showing the greatest line of boys' knee pants suits ever shown in Paducah, at prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$8.00.

**OUR STRICTLY ALL-WOOL SUITS AT \$2.50** Are well made and perfect fitting. We have a large variety of patterns to select from. We guarantee them equal to the \$3.00 suits sold elsewhere.

**Baseball Outfit FREE** With each boy's knee pants suit above \$1.50—consists of hat, ball, cap, belt and mitt. Mothers will please remember that WE add nothing to the cost of the suit for the presents, we give the boys.

**Something New for Boys' Wear The "Economy Suspender"** For boys from 3 to 12 years. Supports both pants and drawers. Just the thing for warm weather wear, as it does away with the usual body waist. All mothers are invited to call and investigate the new idea. We have just received a large line of boys' 25c flannel shirt waists.

**B. WEILLE & SON** 409 BROADWAY 411 BROADWAY

## Dalton Can Please You

**The Tailor** 333 BROADWAY

Tailor-made suits to order for less money than ready-made ones of same quality. Everybody can wear a tailor-made suit at the prices charged by

**Dalton's Tailoring Establishment**

## REAL ESTATE BARGAINS.

**\$100.00 BUYS** residence site 250x150 on Lovelaceville gravel road, next Simon's grocery, 2 miles out; ten feet above the street level.

**\$250.00 BUYS** Fountain Ave. lot, northeast corner Clay street, street improvements paid.

**\$500.00 BUYS** 3-room house, north side Broad street, corner 5th street, lot 65 feet front; new fences, newly painted, good renter.

**FAIR PRICE BUYS** 80x173 storage warehouse property east side Second street, near Washington; belt railroad line touches rear of lot. This property will bring fancy price when wanted. Brings in now 8 per cent and taxes on price asked.

I own all above property, and will make terms to suit, or trade for city bank stock.

**GEO. C. HUGHES.** 312 Broadway.

**For Chapped Hands and Face Use WINSTEAD'S HANDINE!**

There is nothing to equal it. Sold by all first-class druggists.

**Second Hand Goods**

Highest cash prices paid by WILLIAM BOUGENO & SON 202 Court street. We also carry a line of new furniture, stoves, ranges, etc. Call and get our prices before buying elsewhere. We also exchange new goods for old.

**FRESH HUYLER'S**

In this afternoon: Chocolates, Bon-bons, Pralinis Taffy (new), Etc., at

**SOULE'S**

313 Broadway—Phone 313

Up-to-date stock patent medicines. Prescriptions solicited.

**We are selling**

**Sarsaparilla...** At 50 cents Bottle. Our own make.

**J. D. BACON & CO.** DRUGGISTS... GOLD FISH AGENTS

**REED ON CUBAN INDEPENDENCE.**

Warns His Lieutenants to Look at the Question Philosophically.

Washington, April 2.—Speaker Reed a day or two ago warned his lieutenants to look at the question of Cuban independence philosophically, and to explain the situation to their colleagues. He said: "Recognition of independence is equivalent to a declaration of war. When the Cubans say that they want nothing but a recognition of their independence, they know that it would mean war between this country and Spain. If we recognize Cuban independence we must send a minister to their capital and consult to their ports; and, mark you, we must protect our diplomatic representatives. We must also have commerce with Cuba, and we must protect our ocean carrying trade. That means war, of course. Therefore, whatever we do, we must do with a full knowledge of the consequences to be faced."

Strange as it may appear, this explanation of a matter of fact, was news to the gentlemen to whom it was made.

**Vanderbilt's Big Gift.**

New York, April 2.—William K. Vanderbilt, it was reported yesterday, has decided in the event of war with Spain, to present to the United States government a warship to cost \$5,000,000. This interesting information comes from a most responsible source.

**Lee Tells Them to Leave.**

New York, April 2.—A Key West dispatch to the Mail and Express says: A private dispatch from Consul General Lee to a naval officer here denies the persistent rumors that he has sent his resignation so Washington. General Lee admits to advising all Americans to leave Havana; and says he is likely to come himself in a few days.

**War Feeling Strong in Kentucky.** Frankfort, Ky., April 2.—Adjutant General Collier said this morning that he was still receiving large numbers of requests from persons to form companies to enlist.

**May Furnish Coal For Navy.** Pineville, Ky., April 2.—Several coal companies operating coal mines in this section have received instructions from Washington to be ready to furnish coal for the navy in case war.

**Steve Brodie Alive And Well.** New York, April 2.—Steve Brodie is in this city alive and well. The story of his death was a hoax.

**Smallpox Situation Unchanged.** Richmond, Ky., April 2.—The case of the commonwealth against the owners of the colored tenements that have been infected with smallpox was called in the county court yesterday and continued until 2 o'clock. No new cases were reported to-day, and the situation is not materially changed from the last report.

**TOOTH POWDERS!**

We prepare a tooth powder that is endorsed by the dental profession. Besides being a pleasant addition to the toilet, its continued use will prove of the greatest utility to the health of the mouth and teeth. Our toothache drops give quick relief.

**LYNE & LYNE**

DRUGGISTS